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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: PRELIMINARY THOUGHTS

1. WE HAVE HEARD VIA VOA STATEMENT BY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN
AND FEEL THAT THIS REPRESENTS BEST PUBLIC POSTURE USG CAN
ASSUME VIS-A-VIS TURKS, SOVIETS, AND GREEK JUNTA.

2. INVOLVEMENT ATHENS REGIME IN TODAY'S EVENTS IN CYPRUS
APPARENT AND WE WOULD ANTICIPATE WIDESPREAD CONDEMNATION NOT
ONLY FROM GREECE'S ALLIES BUT GENERALLY. REITERATION OF OUR
OPPOSITION TO VIOLENCE TO RESOLVE POLITICAL DIFFERENCES
AND SUPPORT FOR INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY CYPRUS
ON INAPPROPRIATE OCCASIONS SHOULD REMAIN OUR LINE ALONG WITH
STRONGEST IRGING OF RESTRAINT ON ATHENS AND TURKISH REGIMES

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AT HIGHEST LEVELS (STATE 152379, 152380).

3. IF NATIONAL GUARD REMAINS AS COHESIVE AS IT APPEARED TODAY, ITS OVERWHELMING FIREPOWER WILL BRING GREEK SECTORS CYPRUS UNDER CONTROL "GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL SALVATION". EMERGENCE OF NICOS SAMPSON AS MAKARIOS' REPLACEMENT WILL BE REGARDED WITH APPREHENSION AND DISTASTE BY MANY IF NOT MOST CYPRIOTS. HIS FAME AS "BUTCHER OF OMORPHITA" CAN ONLY SIMILARLY RAISE TURKISH CONCERN.

4. WE HAVE NO WAY TO CONFIRM BRITISH REPORTS THAT MAKARIOS ALIVE IN PAPHOS BUT IF THESE PROVE TO BE TRUE, PROSPECTS FOR CONTINUED OPPOSITION AND PERHAPS GUERRILLA WARFARE INCREASED.
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